

# FLAVOR AND SCATTERING EFFECTS IN LEPTOGENESIS

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SM:

► Baryon number violation



(B+L)!

► CP violation



► Departure from equilibrium



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- ▶ Mass matrix:  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & Y_i v \\ Y_i^* v & M_i \end{pmatrix}$

- ▶ Eigenvalues:


$$\lambda_+ \approx M_1 \quad \lambda_- \approx |Y|^2 \frac{v^2}{M_1}$$



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- ▶ Majorana mass violates lepton number
- ▶ Out of equilibrium decay of  $N_1$  if couplings satisfy

$$\Gamma_{N_1} \propto \sum |Y_{1i}|^2 M_1 < H|_{T \approx M_1}$$

# HOW TO GENERATE AN ASYMMETRY?

Sakharovs conditions:

SM + See Saw

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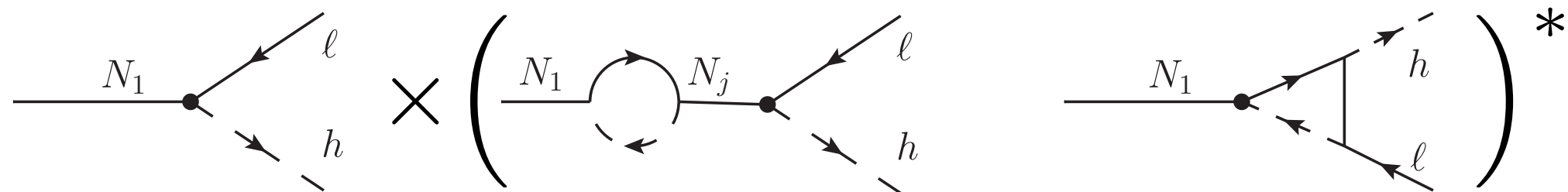


## Leptogenesis

*Fukugita & Yanagida, 1986*

# USUAL WAY TO PREDICT ASYMMETRY:

- Calculate CP asymmetry in decays

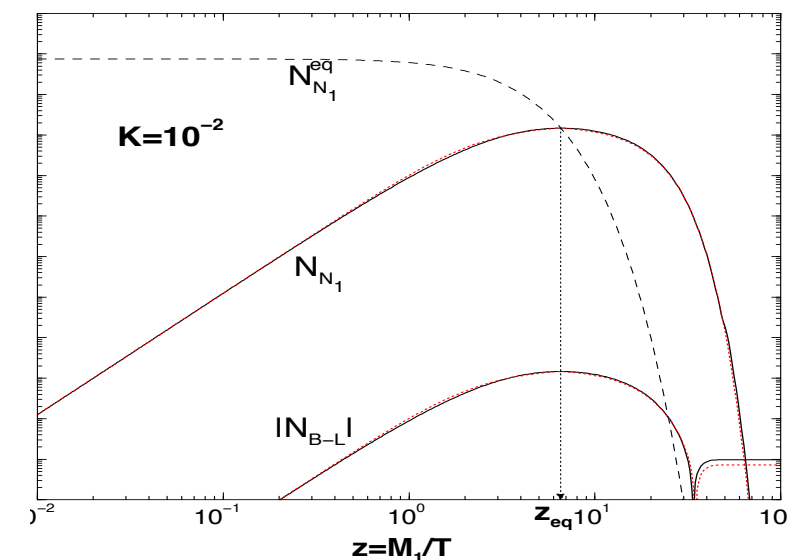


- Plug into Boltzmann equation

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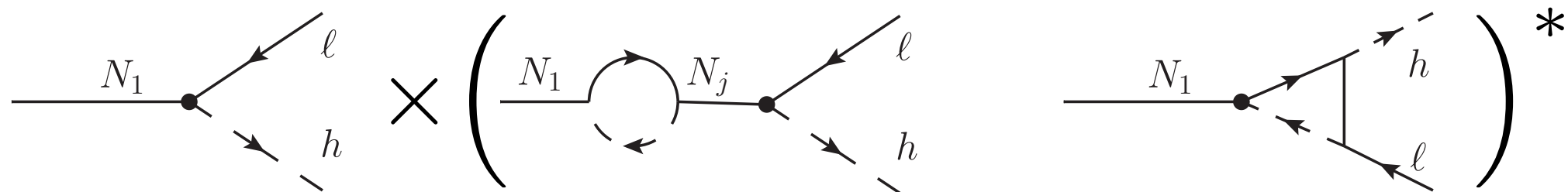
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e.g. Pedestrian: Buchmuller, di Bari, Plumacher, 2000



# VALID APPROACH?

- Calculate CP asymmetry in decays **Quantum Effect**



- Plug into Boltzmann equation

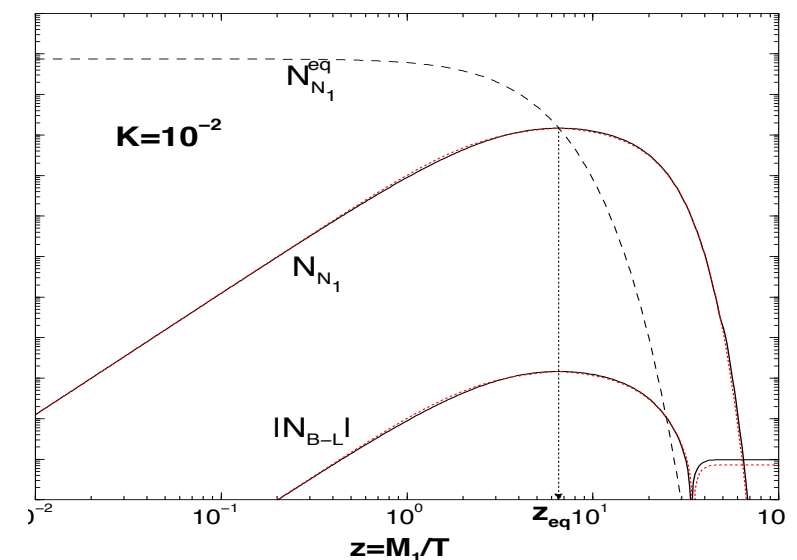
**Classical Equation**

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**something missed?**



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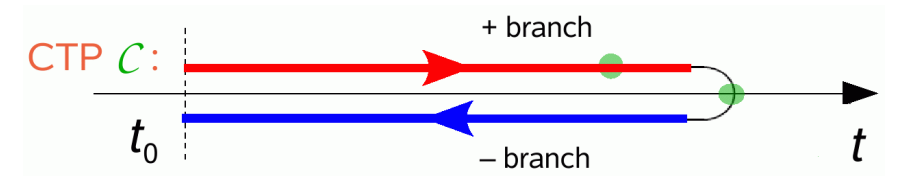
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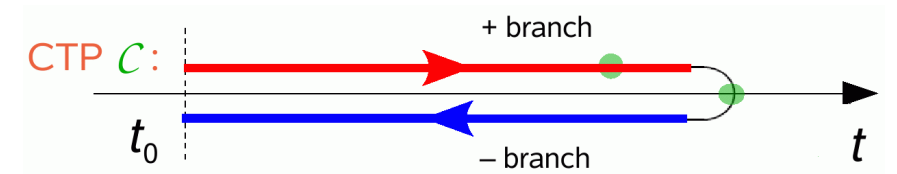
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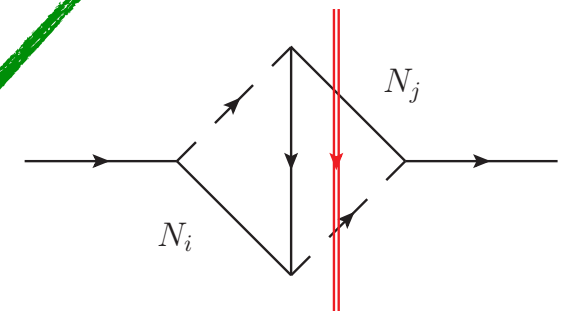
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IPI self energies

$$n_\ell(t) = \int d^3k f_\ell(t, k)$$



$$\partial_\eta (n_\ell - n_{\bar{\ell}}) = W + S$$

# FINITE NUMBER DENSITY CORRECTIONS

► Source term in hierarchical limit ( $M_2 \gg M_1$ ):

$$S = 3 \operatorname{Im}[Y_1^2 Y_2^{*2}] \left( -\frac{M_1}{M_2} \right) \int \frac{d^3 k'}{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{k'}} \delta f_N(\mathbf{k}') \Sigma_{N\mu}(\mathbf{k}') \Sigma_N^\mu(\mathbf{k}')$$

$$f_N - f_N^{\text{eq}}$$

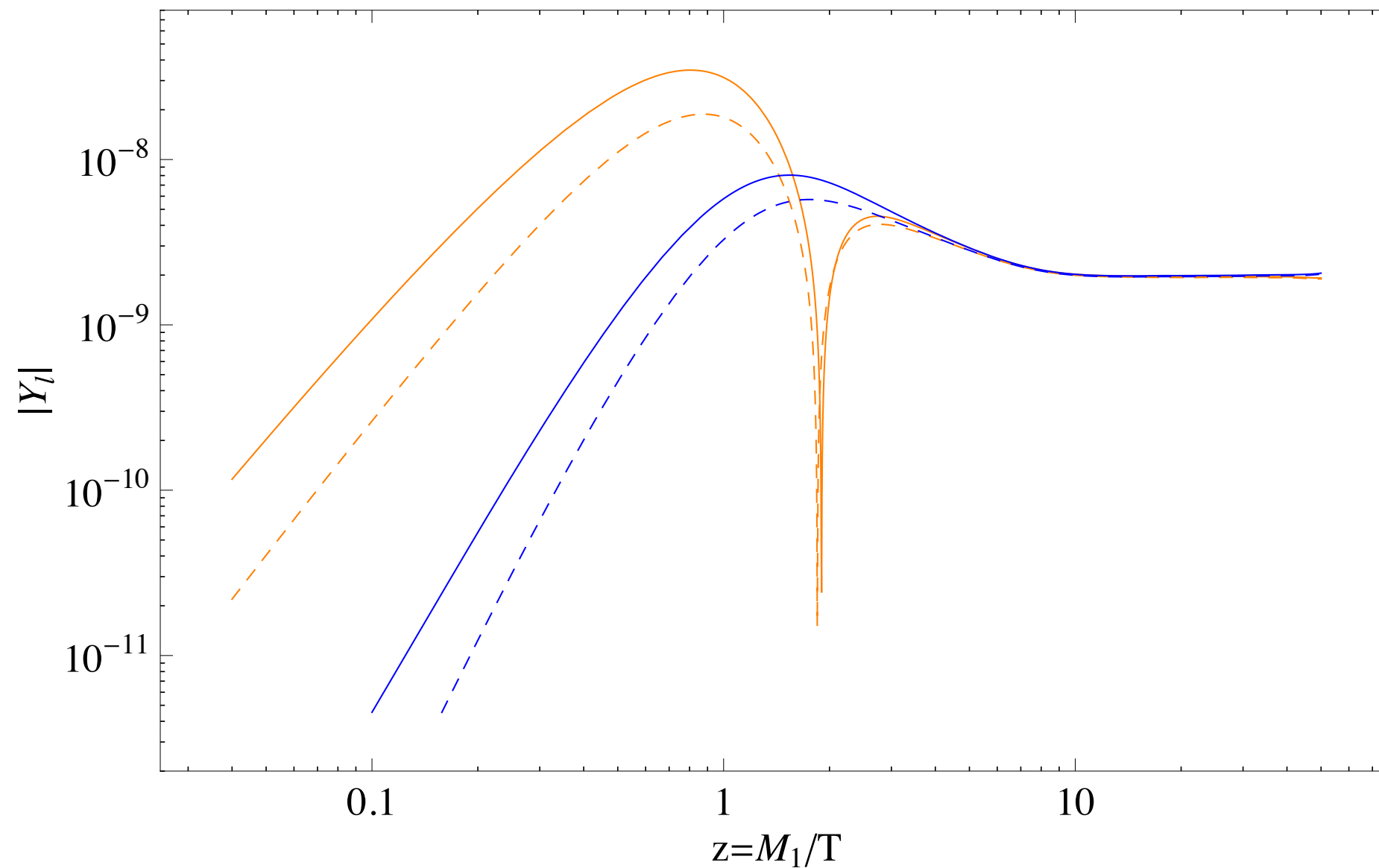
no asymmetry in  
equilibrium

$$\Sigma_N^\mu(k) = \int_{p,q} \delta^4(k - p - q) p^\mu \left( 1 - f_\ell^{\text{eq}}(\mathbf{p}) + f_\phi^{\text{eq}}(\mathbf{q}) \right)$$

finite density corrections

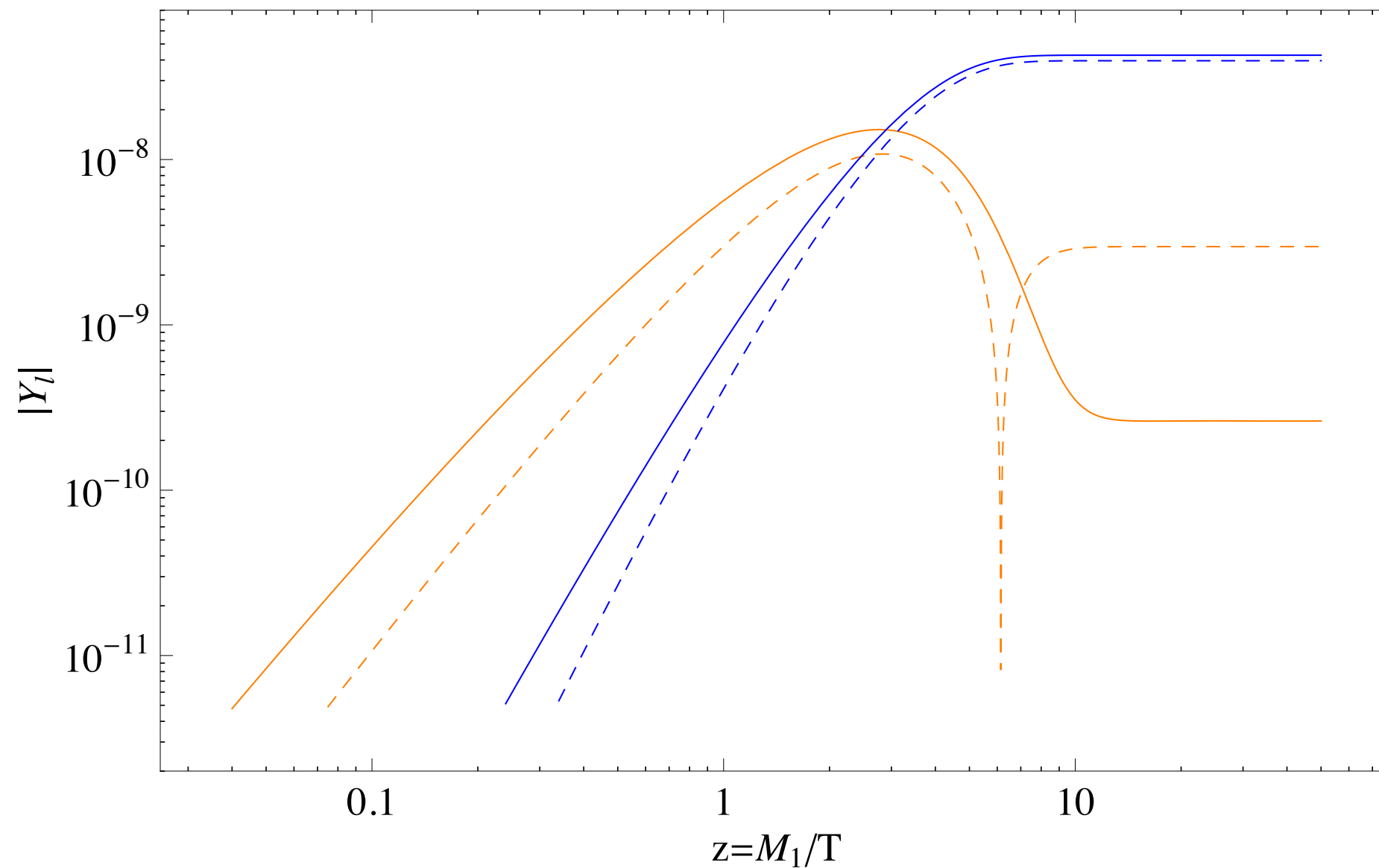
In vacuum QFT:  $\Sigma_N^\mu(k) = \frac{k^\mu}{16\pi}$

# THERMAL EFFECTS: STRONG WASHOUT



blue: thermal initial  $N_1$  density  
red: zero initial  $N_1$  density

# THERMAL EFFECTS: WEAK WASHOUT



blue: thermal initial  $N_1$  density  
red: zero initial  $N_1$  density

can be sizable!

# LEPTON FLAVORS

Barbieri et al, 2000; Endoh et al, 2004;  
Abada et al, 2006; Nardi et al, 2006;

- Neutral and charged Lepton Yukawa couplings in general not aligned

$$\mathcal{L} = Y_{ia} \bar{\psi}_{Ni} \phi \psi_{\ell a} + h_{ab} \bar{\psi}_{Ra} \phi^\dagger \tau \psi_{\ell b} + \text{h.c.}$$

- Leptogenesis usually dominated by  $N_1$  decays
- Decay into linear combination of  $e, \mu, \tau$

$$N_1 \rightarrow \phi \ell, \quad \ell \sim \alpha_e \ell_e + \alpha_\mu \ell_\mu + \alpha_\tau \ell_\tau$$

# MODIFICATION OF WASHOUT RATES

- ▶ Assume tau Yukawa in thermal equilibrium
- ▶  $\ell$  Projected onto states  $\ell_\tau$  and  $\ell_\perp$  by flavor sensitive interactions (denote as  $\ell_{1,2}$ )
- ▶ Boltzmann E: 
$$\frac{d}{d\eta} \Delta n_{\ell i} = W_i + S_\ell$$
- ▶ Small washout in one flavor can largely increase the asymmetry (over 100%)

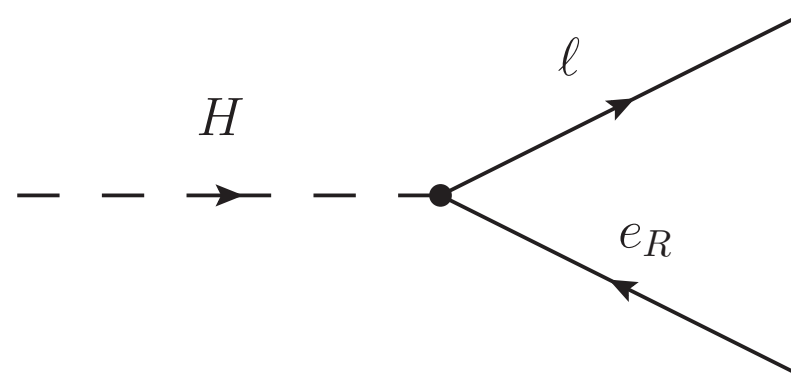


# FLAVORED EVOLUTION EQUATIONS

Beneke, Fidler, Garbrecht, Herranen, PS, 2010

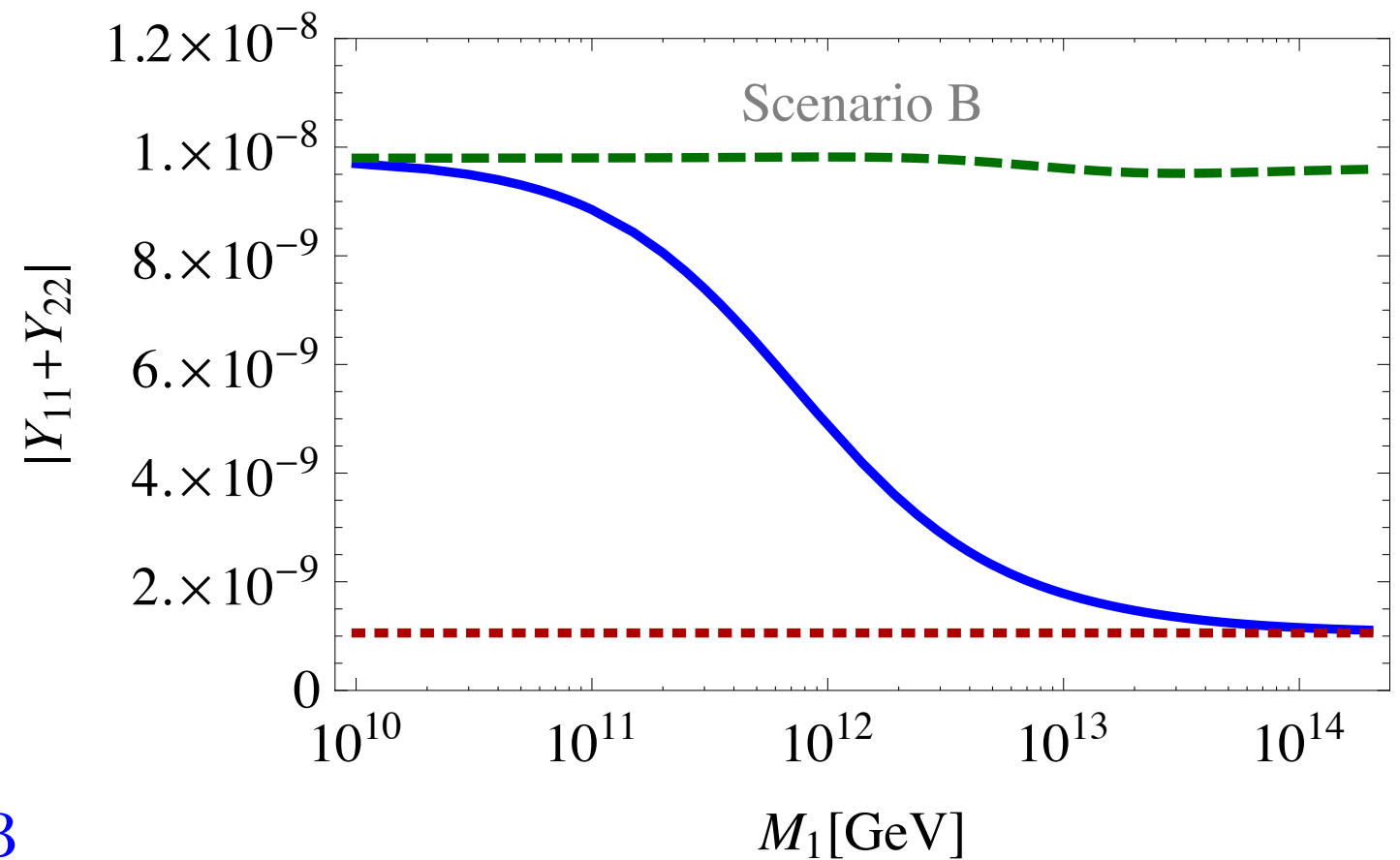
$$\frac{\partial q_\ell}{\partial \eta} = - [\Xi, q_\ell] - \{W, q_\ell\} + 2S - \Gamma_\ell^{\text{fl}}$$

- ▶ No oscillation term: suppressed by fast flavor-insensitive gauge interactions
- ▶ Decoherence only through flavor sensitive scatterings



# IMPORTANCE OF FLAVOR

- Total asymmetry as function of the Leptogenesis scale



- Unflavored:  $M_1 > 10^{13}$
- Fully Flavored:  $M_1 < 10^{11}$

blue: full solution  
red: unflavored  
green: fully flavored

# YUKAWA INTERACTION RATES

## ► Responsible for

- N1 production/decay  $\rightarrow$  strength of washout
- Flavor sensitive scatterings  $\rightarrow$  scale where different flavor regimes are valid

## ► Difficulty

- massless 1 $\rightarrow$ 2 processes zero at tree level  $\mathcal{O}(g^2 T)$
- massive 1 $\rightarrow$ 2 affected by thermal masses  $\mathcal{O}(g^2 T)$
- properly include all contributions at  $\mathcal{O}(g^2 T)$

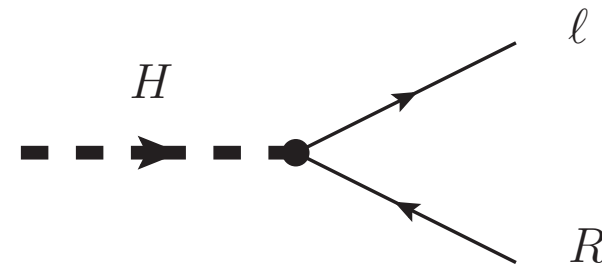
# LEADING CONTRIBUTIONS

## ► Thermal masses/width

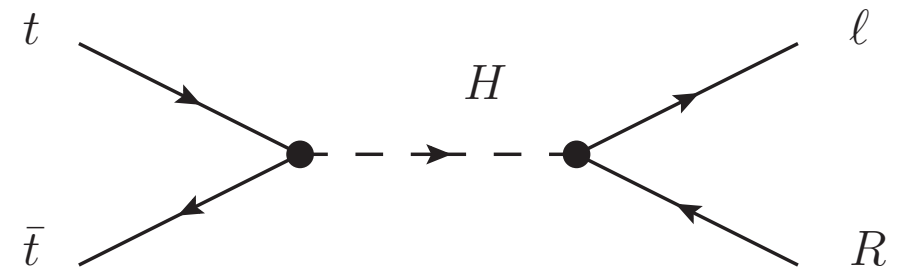
thermal masses:

Giudice, Notari, Raidal, Riotto, Strumia, 2003;

Kiessig, Plumacher, Thoma, 2009;



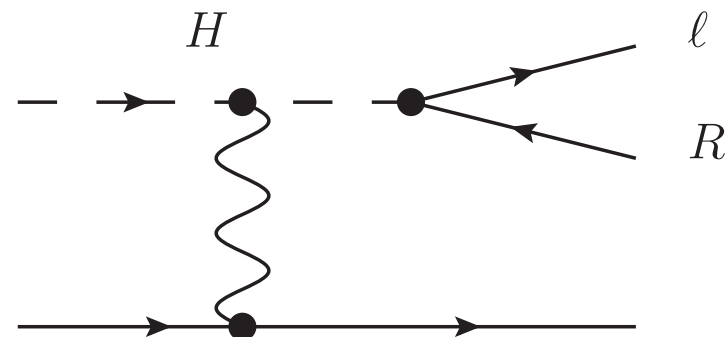
## ► Off-shell $2 \rightarrow 2$ scatterings



## ► Collinearly enhanced $2 \rightarrow 3$ processes

Arnold, Moore, Yaffe, 2000;

Anisimov, Besak, Bodeker, 2010;



# APPROACH

- ▶ Use 2PI vacuum diagrams to obtain 1PI self energies
- ▶ resums bubble subgraphs (not 2PI) into propagators
- ▶ avoids divergencies in t channel diagrams
- ▶ 2-→3 following AMY, ABB
  - ▶ currently checking results, numerics. Soon!

# CONCLUSIONS

- ▶ Ongoing effort to understand Leptogenesis at the quantum level
- ▶ Consistent framework to derive evolution equations for lepton asymmetry
- ▶ Solid formalism for calculating interaction rates
- ▶ Dynamics of important early universe process from first principles

BACKUP!

# SUPPRESSION OF OSCILLATIONS

► Flavor blind interactions  $\Gamma^{\text{bl}} \sim g_2^4 T$  (kinetic equilibrium)

► Oscillations  $\Delta\omega \sim h_\tau^2 T \ll \Gamma^{\text{bl}}$  (from thermal masses)

► Toy Model:  
$$d(\delta^+)/dt = -i\omega \delta^+ - \Gamma^{\text{bl}}[\delta^+ + \delta^-]$$
$$d(\delta^-)/dt = +i\omega \delta^- - \Gamma^{\text{bl}}[\delta^+ + \delta^-]$$

► Last term enforces  $\delta^+ = -\delta^- + \mathcal{O}(\omega/\Gamma^{\text{bl}})\delta^-$

► Oscillations suppressed by large  $\Gamma^{\text{bl}}$



# DEPENDENCE ON LEPTOGENESIS SCALE

- Expansion of Universe:

$$H = 1.66\sqrt{g_\star}\frac{T^2}{M_{\text{pl}}}$$

- Charged Higgs Yukawa interactions:

$$\Gamma^{\text{fl}} \propto h_\tau^2 T$$

- Tau Yukawa in equilibrium below  $10^{12}$  GeV
- If Leptogenesis takes place at or below this scale, flavor is important

# FULLY FLAVORED REGIME

*Abada et al, 2006*  
*Nardi et al, 2006*

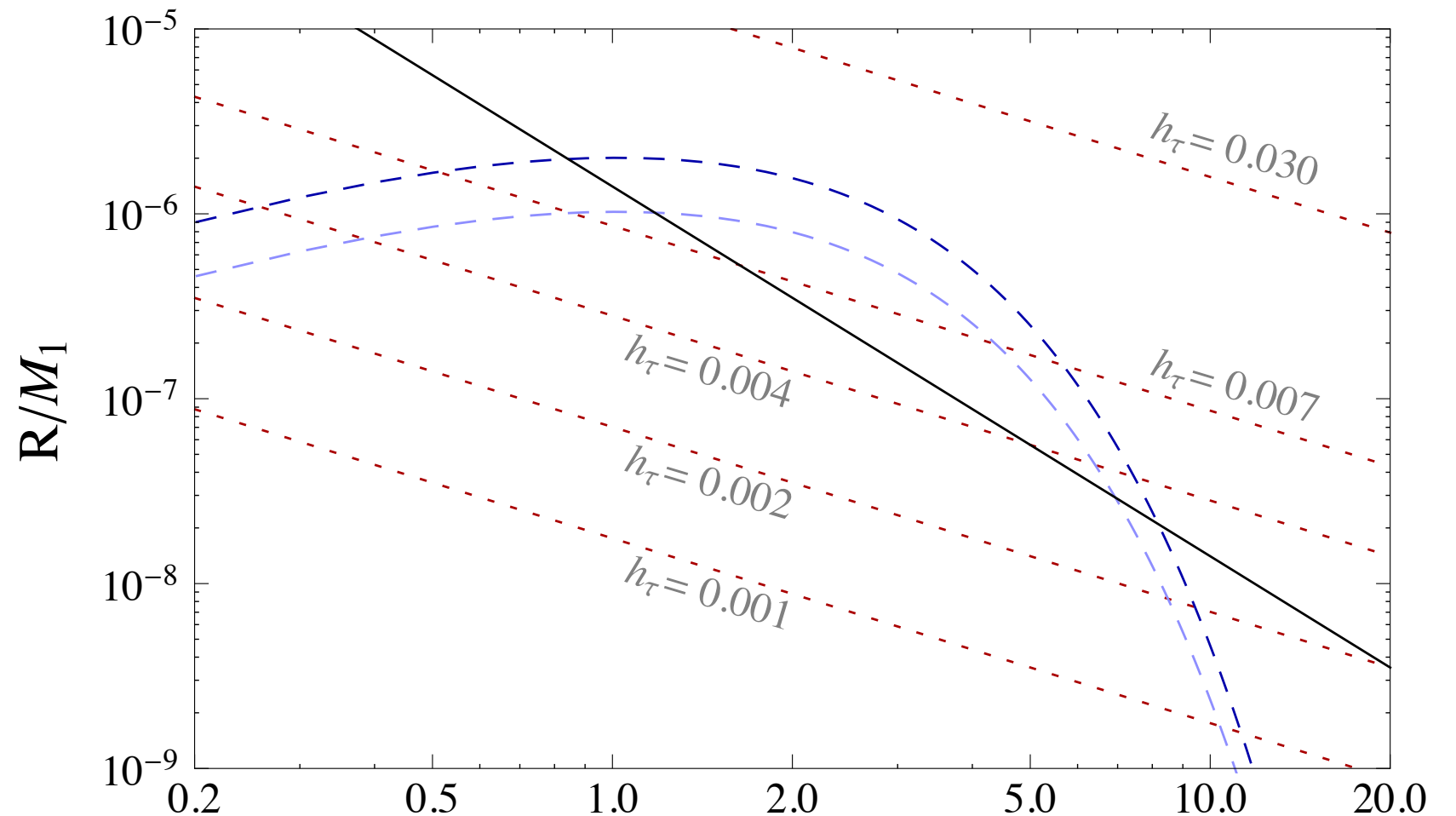
- ▶ Two flavor regime  $T < 10^{12}$  GeV  
and three flavor regime  $T < 10^9$  GeV
- ▶ Work in charged lepton mass basis, calculate separate washout and source terms for each flavor

$$\frac{d}{d\eta} \Delta n_{\ell i} = W_i + S_i + \dots$$

- ▶ Flavor oscillations?

# INTERMEDIATE REGIME

- Washout, expansion, flavor decoherence with similar strength



- Separate treatment of flavors not sufficient
- ideally: find basis invariant formalism

# OUR APPROACH

*Beneke, Garbrecht, Herranen, PS, 2010*

- ▶ Derive evolution equations for number densities directly from **Nonequilibrium Quantum Field Theory**
- ▶ Natural basis for treatment of flavor
- ▶ Obtain finite temperature/density corrections to CP asymmetries
- ▶ Automatic implementation of real intermediate state subtraction (no double counting)

# NONEQUILIBRIUM QFT

- Conventional QFT: Calculate “in - out” correlators (**S**-matrix elements)

$${}_{\text{in}}\langle A|B\rangle_{\text{out}} = \langle A|U(-t, t)|B\rangle_{t\rightarrow\infty} = \langle A|\textcolor{red}{S}|B\rangle$$

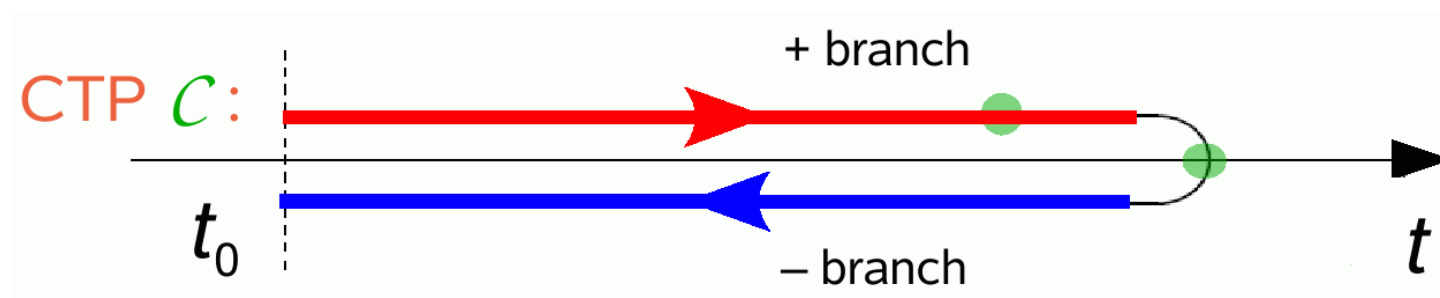
- NEQFT: Know the “in” state  $\rho(t_0)$ , want to predict the time evolution of operator:

$$\langle t|\mathcal{O}|t\rangle = \text{Tr}[\rho(t_0)U^\dagger(t, t_0)\mathcal{O}U(t, t_0)]$$

# CTP FORMALISM

*Schwinger, 1961; Keldysh, 1964, ...*

- ▶ Instead of “in-out” correlators: Calculate “in-in” expectation values
- ▶ Possible using conventional QFT methods if we let time coordinate on Closed Time Path



- ▶ Fields get additional index  $\phi^a(t, x)$  that indicates the position of the time coordinate  $a = \pm$

# CTP FORMALISM

- Relevant information contained in 2-point functions for bosons  $\Delta(u, v)$  and fermions  $S(u, v)$

- become 2x2 matrices  $\begin{pmatrix} G^{++} & G^{+-} \\ G^{-+} & G^{--} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} G^T & G^< \\ G^> & G^{\bar{T}} \end{pmatrix}$

- Time evolution from Dyson-Schwinger equation:

$$i\partial_u S^{ab}(u, v) = a\delta_{ab}\delta^4(u - v) + \sum_c \int d^4w \underbrace{\Sigma^{ac}(u, w)}_{\text{1PI self energy}} S^{cb}(w, v)$$

# QUANTUM BOLTZMANN EQUATIONS

- Gradient & loop expansion, quasiparticle approximation (also, a Wigner transformation in between)

- Obtain evolution equations for number densities

$$\frac{d}{d\eta} f_{N1}(\mathbf{k}) = D(\mathbf{k})$$

$$\frac{d}{d\eta} (n_\ell - \bar{n}_\ell) = W + S.$$

- Conformal time  $\eta$  to incorporate expansion of the universe, proportional to inverse temperature



# NOW WITH FLAVOR

Beneke, Fidler, Garbrecht, Herranen, PS 2010

- ▶ just “add” flavor indices to field operators

$$iS_\ell^<(u, v) = \langle \bar{\psi}_\ell(v) \psi_\ell(u) \rangle$$



$$iS_{\ell ab}^<(u, v) = \langle \bar{\psi}_{\ell b}(v) \psi_{\ell a}(u) \rangle$$

- ▶ Straightforward generalization for washout and source terms
- ▶ In addition: oscillations, flavor sensitive scatterings

# FLAVOR OSCILLATIONS

- Commutator term in kinetic equation:

$$i\partial_\eta S_\ell^{<,>} - \left[ \mathbf{k} \cdot \boldsymbol{\gamma} + \Sigma_\ell^H, S_\ell^{<,>} \right] = -\frac{1}{2} (c_\ell + c_\ell^\dagger)$$

- Time dependent mass basis, diagonalize self energy

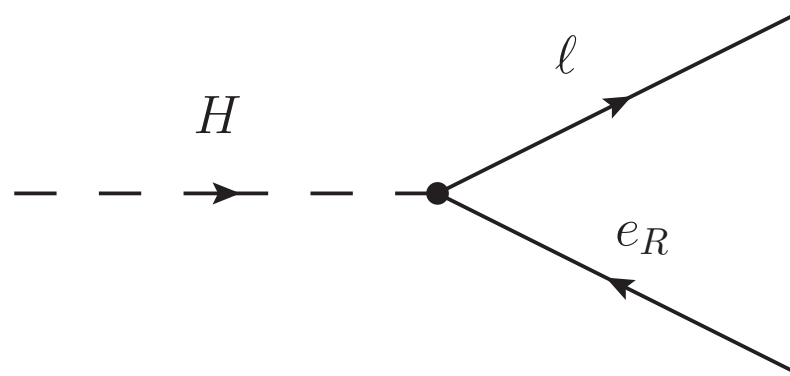
using  $\Sigma_D^H = U^\dagger(\eta) \Sigma^H U(\eta)$

- additional term  $i [\Xi, S_\ell^{<,>}]$  with  $\Xi = U^\dagger \partial_\eta U$

$$\partial_\eta \delta n_{\ell ab}^\pm - [\Xi, \delta n_\ell^\pm]_{ab} \pm i \Delta \omega_{ab} \delta n_{\ell ab}^\pm = \pm \frac{1}{2} (C_\ell + C_\ell^\dagger)_{ab}$$

# FLAVOR SENSITIVE INTERACTIONS

- ▶ Main source of flavor decoherence
- ▶ Contributions from annihilation/scatterings



- ▶ all processes allowed at finite temperature
- ▶ estimate using  $\Gamma^{\text{an}} + \Gamma^{\text{sc}} \approx 0.7 \alpha_w T$

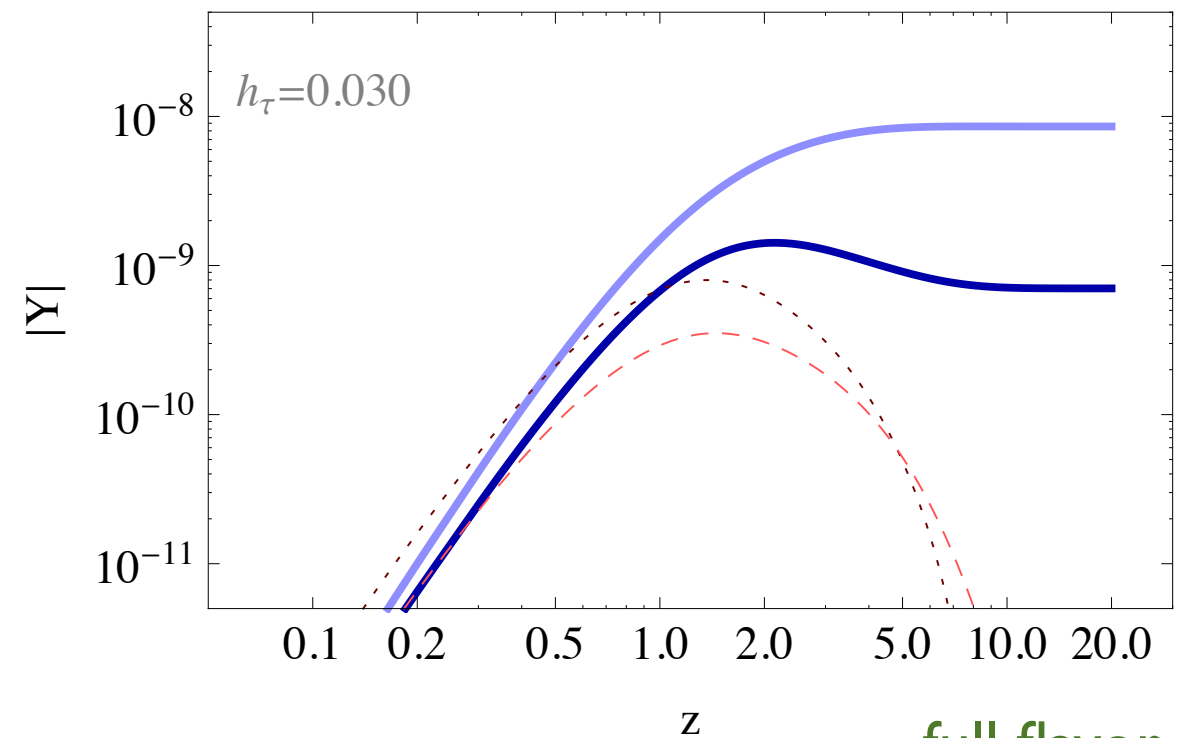
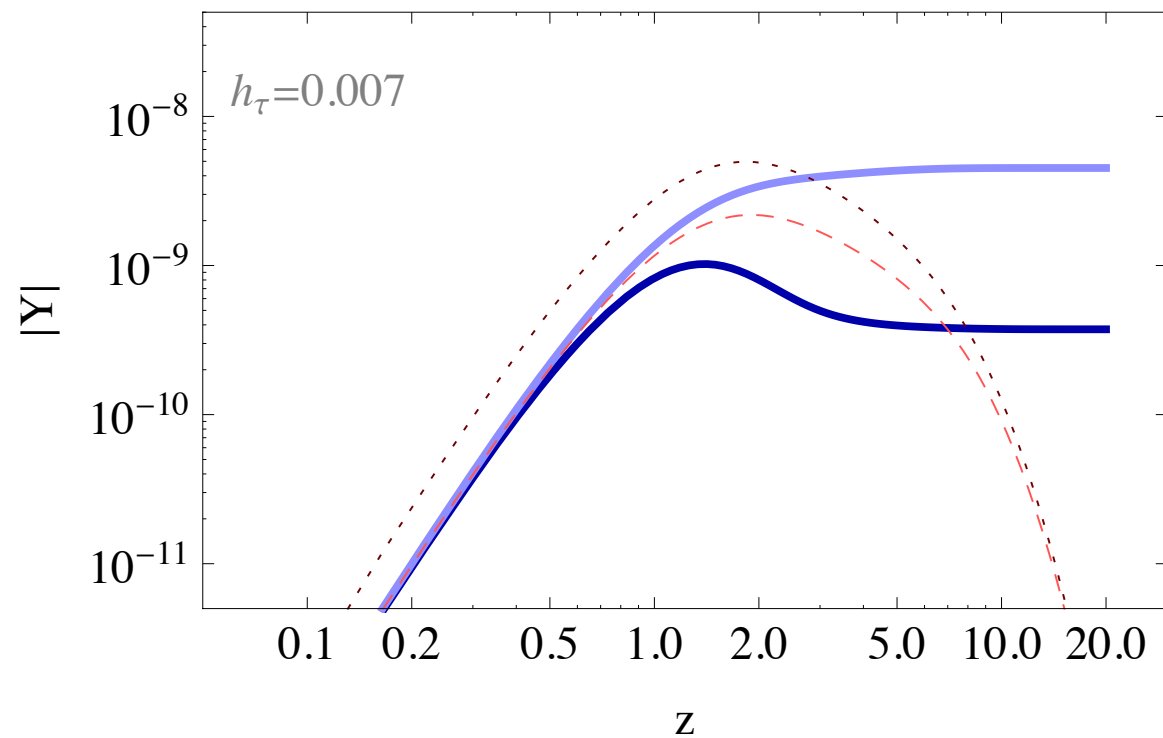
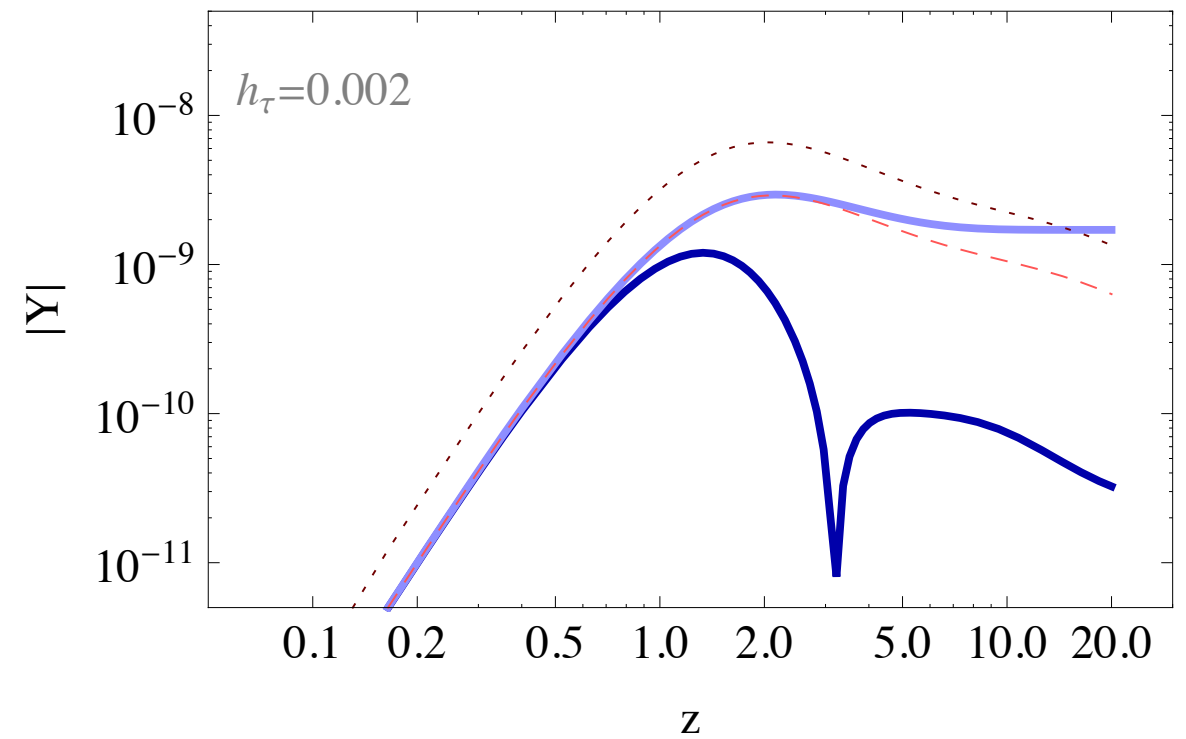
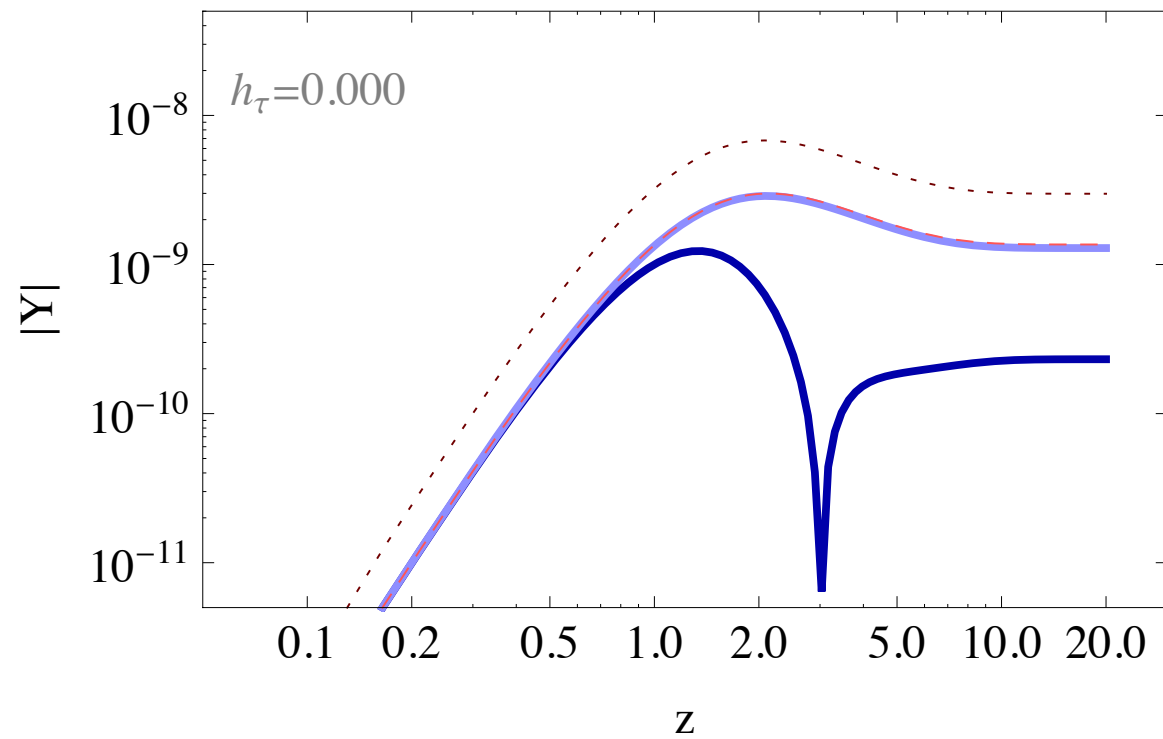
# FLAVORED EVOLUTION EQUATION

- ▶ Gauge interactions enforce kinetic equilibrium also for off diagonal densities
- ▶ Introduce flavored number densities  $n_{\ell ab}^{\pm}$ , define flavored charge density  $q_{\ell ab} = n_{\ell ab}^{+} - n_{\ell ab}^{-}$
- ▶ **Evolution equation:**

$$\frac{\partial q_{\ell}}{\partial \eta} = - [\Xi, q_{\ell}] - \{W, q_{\ell}\} + 2S - \Gamma_{\ell}^{\text{fl}}$$

# NUMERICS (CHARGED LEPTON FLAVOR BASIS)

no flavor



full flavor

# WHEN ARE FLAVOR EFFECTS IMPORTANT?

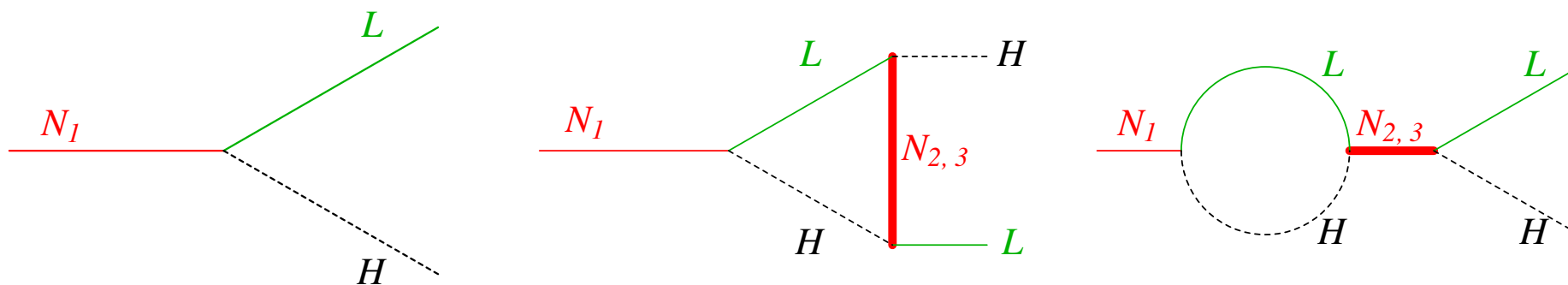
- ▶ Three regimes (neglecting muon, electron Yukawas and assuming that flavors are not aligned)
- ▶ Unflavored: Single flavor approximation is good
- ▶ Fully Flavored: Off-diagonal densities can be neglected
- ▶ Intermediate: Full evolution equation needs to be solved

# BARYON NUMBER VIOLATION

- ▶ Early universe has **zero** baryon number, but today's universe has a nonzero  $B$
  - ▶ Lepton number  $L$  violated by Majorana mass term
  - ▶ Electroweak sphalerons can convert the lepton asymmetry into a baryon asymmetry
- Generating a lepton asymmetry sufficient

# CP VIOLATION

- ▶ Must be able to distinguish particles from anti-particles
- ▶ In Leptogenesis: CP violated in decays of heavy right-handed neutrinos:





# CP VIOLATION II

- QM: Observables are expectation values of operators

$$\Gamma(N_1 \rightarrow H\ell^+) = |\langle N_1 | \mathcal{H}_{\text{int}} | H\ell^+ \rangle|^2 = |\mathcal{A}|^2$$

- Asymmetry: 
$$Y_L = \frac{\Gamma - \bar{\Gamma}}{\Gamma + \bar{\Gamma}}$$

$$\mathcal{A} = h_1 A_0$$

- Simplest case: 
$$\bar{\mathcal{A}} = h_1^* A_0$$

No asymmetry since  $\bar{\Gamma} = \Gamma$

# CP VIOLATION III

- Add one loop correction

$$\mathcal{A} = h_1 A_0 + h_1^* (h_2)^2 A_1$$

$$\bar{\mathcal{A}} = h_1^* A_0 + h_1 (h_2^*)^2 A_1$$

- Asymmetry proportional to interference term

$$Y_L \propto \Im(h_1 h_1^* h_2^* h_2) \Im(A_0 A_1)$$

- Note: Requires complex couplings and complex  $A_1$

# IN LEPTOGENESIS

- In early universe: Expansion with Hubble rate

$$H = 1.66\sqrt{g_\star}\frac{T^2}{M_{\text{pl}}}$$

- Processes with rates  $\Gamma \lesssim H$  go out of EQ

- Distributions  $f(k, t)$  deviate from  $f^{\text{eq}}(k) = \frac{1}{e^{\beta E(k)} \mp 1}$

# CONFORMAL TIME STUFF

## ► Temperature:

$$T = \frac{T_{\text{com}}}{a(\eta)} = \frac{1}{a(\eta)} \sqrt{\frac{a_R m_{\text{Pl}}}{2}} \left( \frac{45}{g_* \pi^3} \right)^{1/4}$$

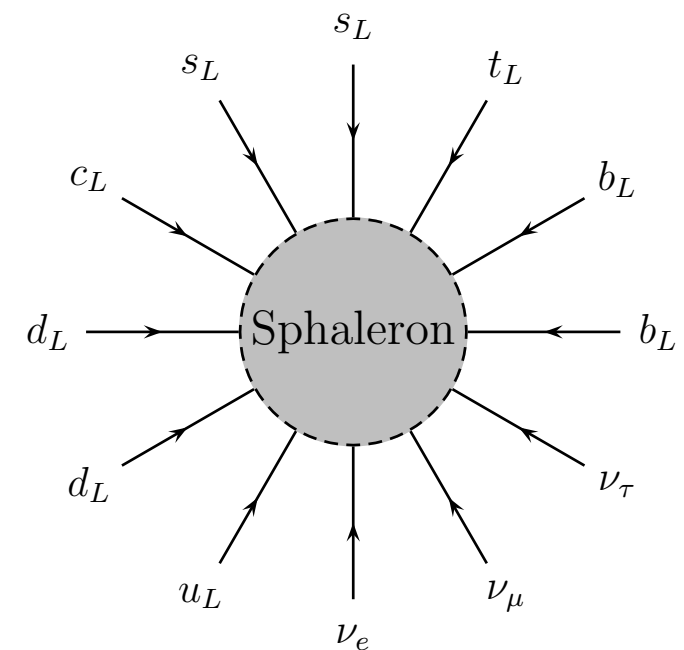
## ► Expansion rate (radiation dominated): $a(\eta) = a_R \eta$

## ► “time variable” $z = M_1/T \propto \eta$

## ► Time derivative becomes $\frac{d}{d\eta} = a_R \frac{d}{dz}$

# THE ELECTROWEAK SPHALERON

- ▶  $B + L$  current is anomalous in the SM
- ▶ At  $T = 0$  : Tunneling between configurations with different  $B + L$  highly suppressed
- ▶ At  $T \gtrsim \text{TeV}$  : In equilibrium
- ▶ have  $\Delta B = \Delta L = 3$  :  
no proton decay



# THE BARYON ASYMMETRY

- ▶ The number we have to explain is

$$Y_{\Delta B} = \frac{n_B - n_{\bar{B}}}{s} = (8.75 \pm 0.23) \times 10^{-11}$$

- ▶ Entropy  $s = g_{\star}(2\pi^2/45)T^3$  is conserved, related to photon density:  $s = 7.04 n_{\gamma}$
- ▶ Measured using BBN (deuterium abundance) and CMB anisotropies (temperature fluctuations)

# History of the Universe

